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S. Takamatsu et al.

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FASTENER AND SLIDE
FASTENER HAVING THE SAME

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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3,748,709	July 31, 1973	Potin
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2304314	August 15, 1974	DE
1377053	December 11, 1974	GB
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54-61702	April 28, 1979	JP
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0237068	September 16, 1987	EP
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Some of the foreign references are not in the English language. JP 56-51773, JP 59-25221 and JP 51-4823 are cited in the specification of the present application. English

language abstracts are enclosed for JP '773 and JP '823. JP '221 corresponds to US 4,267,621.

JP 54-61702, JP 51-49604, JP 44-1042, JP 59-46117, JP 2000-312604 and JP 2001-211913, were cited in an International Search Report in a corresponding International Application, and a copy of the Search Report is enclosed. English language abstracts are enclosed for JP '042, JP '117, JP '312604 and JP '913. JP '702 corresponds to Figure 26 shown and discussed in the present application. JP '49604 corresponds to US 4,045,845.

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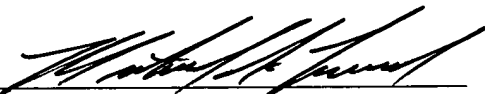
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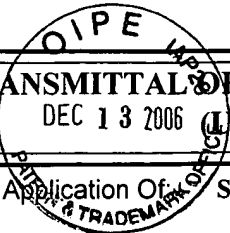
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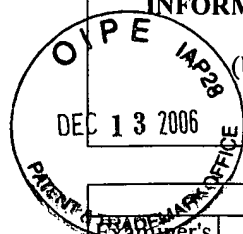
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